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FOREWORD

In years to come we will have only memories to bring back our happy days spent at Major Edwards. In this book we would like to preserve these precious memories.

We wish to thank all members of the faculty for their untiring efforts in our behalf. We especially want to thank Mr. Namen, our former class advisor, for all that he has done for us. Our sincerest thanks and hearty appreciation go to Mrs. Severance, who has been much more than a teacher to us. We will long remember her guiding influence. To Miss Jennings go our thanks for her help in making this, the MESA what it is. Mr. Peltier and Mr. Chaffee have made our years at Major Edwards happy as well as worthwhile. To them we owe our deepest gratitude.

As the doors close behind us we would like to leave this book, symbolizing our life spent at M.E.H.S. We hope that this tradition will continue through out the years to come.

DEDICATION

We, the Senior Class of 1944, as the highest tribute within our power, respectfully and affectionately do dedicate this, THE MESA, our pride and joy, to the FACULTY as a token of appreciation and gratitude for the unlimited efforts they have made in our behalf, and for the good counsel, encouragement, and aid they have rendered us during our four years at M.E.H.S.

Irene LaBossiere



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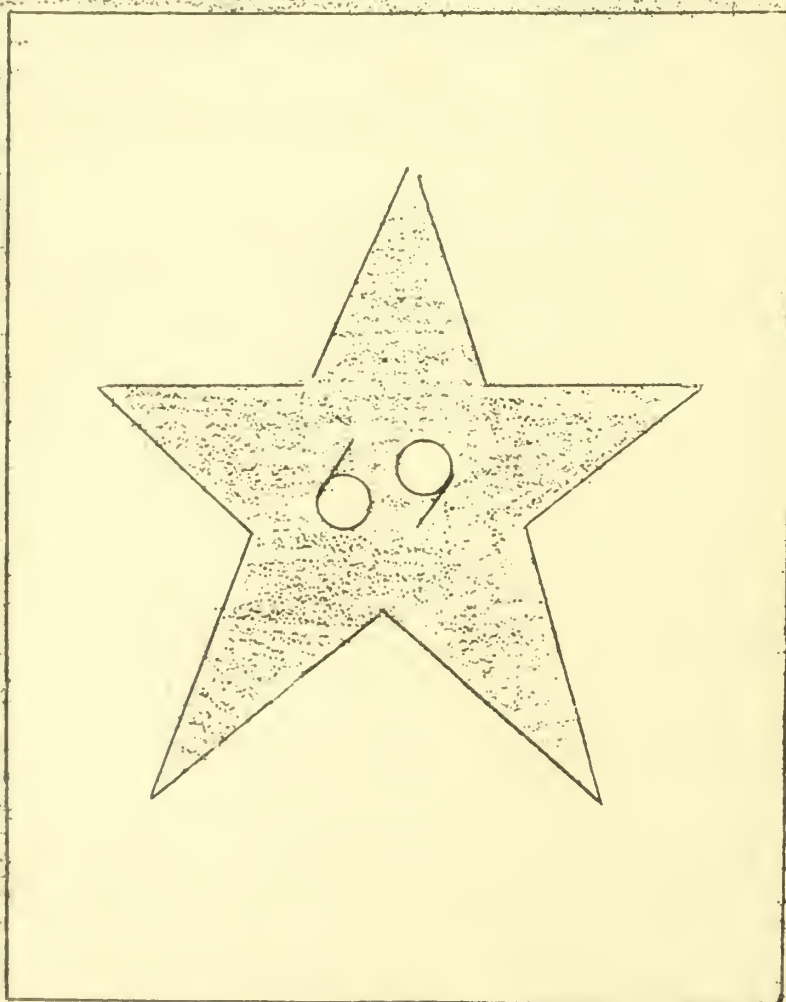
My final message to you, the members of the class of 1944, is written in a period of conflict such as the world has never before known. Under the impact of war, you have carried on with courage and determination to your goal. You have reached commencement--not the end, but the beginning.

Today it is the obligation of each one of us to decide how best we can serve our country, whether at home, at school, in the factory, or in the armed services. Never believe that what an individual does is not important. It will be the weight of each one of us, thrown on the right side, that will bring about victory. Tomorrow, when that victory is won, there will be an even greater obligation before us. The end of the war will not be an end but a beginning. It is for us to vow that these sacrifices shall not this time have been in vain. It is for us to bring about a new birth of freedom, not only for this nation but for all mankind. It is for us who know what democracy means to determine that government of the people, by the people, and for the people shall not perish from the earth.

When the challenge comes, how will you throw your weight?

John B. Chaffee

This page is dedicated to those graduates of Major Edwards
who are now serving in the armed forces of our country.



GRADUATE LIST

Francis Bonci

Jean Boynton

Stanley Boynton

Hilda Coleman

Elaine Gardner

Constance Keith

Roger Keith

Irene LaBossiere

Alice Lamoureux

Walter Lindquist

Joan Lovell

Angeline Mercurio

Christine Mooney

Sara Morazzini

Lilian Morrow

Phyllis Proctor

Margaret Soule

Eleanor Tacy

Elena Vercellone

Robert Waters

Jacquelyn Whitcomb

Jane Whitcomb

AUTODGRAPHS

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CLASS IDEAL

FORWARD FOREVER

Yonder in the dew bejewelled silence
Of a darkly sleeping night
A flame of knowledge kindles and
Spreads onward: all is light.

The flames flicker as they struggle
For the privilege to exist,
Yet the fire burns ever brightly
Can, and will, and must subsist.

Till the world is brightly lighted and
Darkness reigns no more supreme;
Then the dreams of scholars ancient
Are no longer but a dream.

So must we go forward, carrying
Torches grasped from wisdom's flame
Breaking pathways not yet trodden
Unto glory, freedom, fame.

Lilian Morrow

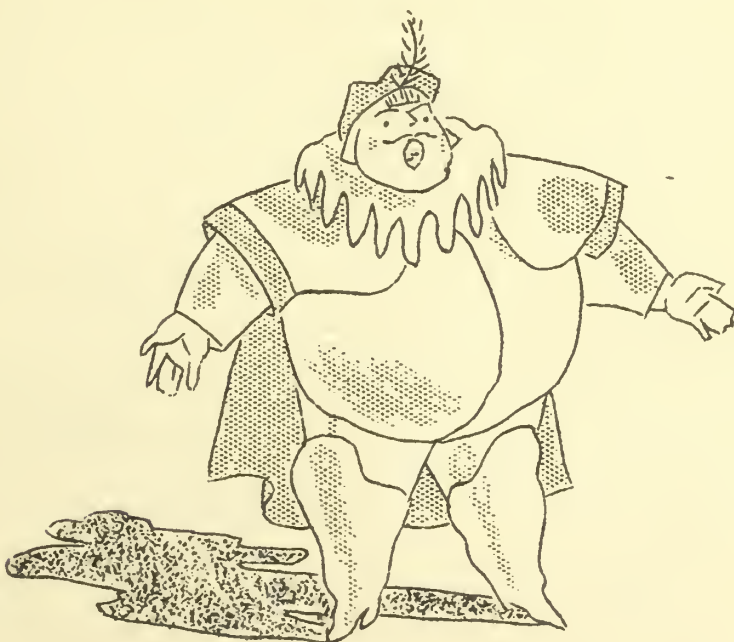
CLASS SONG

Dear old school whose walls have shared our laughter
You we'll hold in memory true
Major Edwards guide us onward, upward
Keep us ever loyal to you.

CHORUS

Our pathways are soon parting now:
And we must bid our dearest schooldays adieu
But fond memories linger on
Though life may call us far away from you
And we will always carry on
Through skies dark or blue
As we know our school
Wants us to do
Now as we bid you our farewell
M.E.H.S., we pledge our love for you.

Schooldays now for us are truly over
Life is calling clearly to all
Country, home and freedom need our service
Valiantly we answer the call.



IF WE COULD ONLY HAVE -

- M emory of Elena Vercellone.
A bility of Jean Boynton in basketball.
J oking ability of Stanley Boynton.
O ratorical ability of Lilian Morrow
R esourcefulness of Jane Whitcomb.
- E arnestness of Angeline Mercurio.
D ancing ability of Alice Lamoureux.
W illingness of Constance Keith.
A dherence of Joan Lovell
R eadiness to help of Christine Mooney.
D rawing ability of Eleanor Tacy.
S cholastic aptitude of Phyllis Procter.
- C loset of clothes that Jean Boynton has.
L eadership of Irene LaBossiere.
A ntics of Sara Morazzini.
S portsmanship of Hilda Coleman.
S mile of Francis Bonci.
- O bligingness of Walter Lindquist.
F igure like Jacquelyn Whitcomb.
- F riendliness of Margaret Soule.
O ptimism of Elaine Gardner.
R ealism of the Senior Class.
T ruthfulness of Robert Waters.
Y outhfulness of Mrs. Severance.
- F ondness of the Air Corps that Elaine Gardner has.
O riginality of Roger Keith.
U nderstanding of Mr. Chaffee.
R eliability of Stanley Boynton.

CLASS

FAVORITES

Outstanding Virtue

Besetting Sin

Favorite Pastime

" " Sport

" " Subject

" " Food

" " Drink

" " Song

" " Actor

" " Actress

" " Author

" " Book

" " Singer

" " Orchestra

" " Radio Program

" " Periods

" " Athlete

" " Assembly

" " Living Person

" " Movie

" " Class Expression

Happiness

Sadness

Sleeping

Basketball

Chemistry

Hot Dogs

Chocolate Frappe

Mairzy Doats

Cary Grant

Ingrid Bergman

Kathleen Norris

Uninvited Guest

Bing Crosby

Harry James

Judy Canova Program

1st & 4th

Ted Williams

Young Mr. Lincoln

Mom

Casablanca

"Sh, here comes Mr. Chaffee."

PERSONALITIES

Most Popular	Francis Bonci
Most Studious	Elena Vercellone
Most Argumentive	Angeline Mercurio
Most Versatile	Irene LaBossiere
Most Serious	Eleanor Tacy
Most Mischievous	Alice Lamoureux
Most Whitty	Stanley Boynton
Most Cheerful	Margaret Soule
Most Helpful	Roger Keith
Most Likely To Succeed	Senior Class
Most Dignified	Lilian Morrow
Most Athletic	Jean Boynton
Most Unselfish	Joan Lovell
Most Ambitious	Phyllis Proctor
Most Bashful	Robert Waters
Most Romantic	Elaine Gardner
Best Looking	Jacquelyn Whitcomb
Best Dancer	Hilda Coleman
Best Smile	Sara Morazzini
Best Personality	Christine Mooney
Best Actor	Walter Lindquist
Most Musical	Constance Keith
Most Courteous	Jane Whitcomb

CLASS OFFICERS

FRESHMEN YEAR

President	David Lovell
Vice President	Lilian Morrow
Secretary	Amelia Leonardi
Treasurer	Stanley Boynton
Social Chairman	Margaret Soule

SOPHOMORE YEAR

President	Stanley Boynton
Vice President	Amelia Leonardi
Secretary	David Lovell
Treasurer	Charles Denton
Social Chairman	Margaret Soule

JUNIOR YEAR

President	David Lovell
Vice President	Elaine Gardner
Secretary	Jacquelyn Whitcomb
Treasurer	Margaret Soule
Social Chairmen	Arline Cameron-
	Charles Denton
Student Council	Stanley Boynton

SENIOR YEAR

President	Walter Lindquist
Vice President	Elaine Gardner
Secretary	Elena Vercellone
Treasurer	Stanley Boynton
Social Chairman	Irene LaBossiere
Student Council	Walter Lindquist-
	Robert Waters

CLASS WRITINGS

FRANCIS BONCI---"Sharky"

"Much learning hath he that is not in books."

"Sharky" is a very popular member of the Senior Class. He is the fellow with the jet black hair that is the envy of all his classmates. He is one of the humorous members of our class, an indispensable merryman at our parties; and the one who makes our otherwise dull classes lively. Somehow, between gags, he manages to get his work done. Best of luck and lots of laughs for you where ever you are, "Sharky."

Baseball 2,3,4

Biology Club 2

JEAN BOYNTON---"Jin"

"A player unequalled; a sportsman complete,
A good one to follow; a hard one to beat."

"Jeanie," or "Jin" as she is better known to her friends, is the tiny, dynamic basketball star who came to join us in her Sophomore year. The teachers are under the impression that Jeanie is a quiet Junior Miss, but she is a very mischievous little lass, who keeps her classmates in good spirits. She is well liked not only by her classmates but by all the lower classmen as well. Many are the times we've depended on her long shots to win the game, and she has seldom if ever let us down. One can notice her small figure doing a jitterbug special on the dance floor, and it is never she who tires but her partners. Jeanie's future plans are to adorn the white uniform of Uncle Sam's Cadet Nurses. We, her classmates and friends know she will succeed without a doubt, and wish her all the luck and success in the world.

Basketball 2,3,4
Softball 2

Commercial Club 3,4

STANLEY BOYNTON---"Wap"

"I like work; it fascinates me.
I could sit and look at it for hours."

Stanley is the business head of our class. When Stan is treasurer, the budget balances without too much puzzling at the end of the year. You can always depend on Wap to see the class through in any activity it undertakes. If you saw the Junior Play, you know what an important link in our class he is. Wap may be studious, but he doesn't miss his cue in fun. Stanley

has chosen the Navy. Can't you just hear the Armistice ringing out!! Best of luck, Wap, and with you in there we all know we can't lose.

Airplane Club 1,2,3
Chorus 4
Junior Play 3
Basketball Mgr. 4

Class Treas. 1,4
Class Pres. 2
Student Council 2
Athletic A. 1,2,3,4

HILDA COLEMAN

"But Fate ordains that dearest friends must part."

Hilda is the girl in our class with a very pleasing disposition. You see Hilda frowning only when she is studying. Her sportsmanship is tops. You can depend on her to do anything to better the class or party. Hilda likes sports and is always ready to cheer the team on to victory. In whatever she may undertake, her personality will carry her far. Good luck, Hilda.

Basketball 1,2,4
Chorus 3,4
Drum Corps 1,2

Commercial Club 3
Round Table 1

ELAINE GARDNER---"E"

"And all because a lady fell in love."

Elaine is one of the most cheerful girls of the Senior Class who seldom, if ever has a frown. You can hear her giggle ringing out especially in History Class when everyone else is supposedly serious. Elaine's favorite studies are Math and foreign languages, but don't get the impression she's a bookworm, because she's far from it. Whenever we go to class parties you can always count on Elaine's seeing that everybody is having a good time. Although Elaine doesn't go out for sports, she certainly helps the team on to victory by her cheering from the sidelines. She hasn't quite made her plans for the future, but we know that there's a certain Air Corps student whom she is very much interested in. Best of luck Elaine, from a class of friends. We know you will succeed in whatever you may undertake.

Airplane Club 1,2
Spanish Club 3,4
Dramatic Club 2

Chorus 4
Round Table 1,2

Oratorical Contest 1
Junior Play 3

CONSTANCE KEITH---"Connie"

"Hang sorrow, care'll kill a cat, so therefore let's be merry."

Connie, one of our clever classmates, has always proved to be an asset to us. Without her laughter ringing out in History Class,

it just wouldn't be the same. Connie excels in the study of foreign languages and is a "whiz" at English. Although Connie doesn't participate in sports, you can always count on her to cheer the teams on to victory. Connie's laughing eyes and quiz-zical smile have kept us guessing, and her opinions have come to be valued by her classmates. She surely has a mind of her own. Connie is entering Nurse's Training this fall, and we all know that with her ability she will be a great success. "Buena Suerte Siempre"

Biology Club	2	Dramatic Club	2	Airplane Club	1,2
Spanish Club	3	Junior Play	3	Dancing Club	3
		Chorus	4		

ROGER KEITH---"Rog"

"Books teach us very little of the world."

Rog is our athlete supreme. He's the tall handsome member of our class. Whenever you hear a deep laughing voice, you'll know that's Rog. If you see him tearing up the road in his car (?), you can bet he's headed for Holden. What's up there, Rog? He is always on hand to give help whenever the class needs him. He also has proved his ability to be a salesman by the many ads he has sold for THE MESA. He hopes the Navy will claim him upon graduation. Good luck, Rog.

Chorus	4	4	Commercial Club	3	A. A. Class Rep.	3,4
Basketball	2,4		Biology Club	4	Baseball	4
Junior Play	3		A. A. Pres.	4		

IRENE LABOSSIERE---"Lucky"

"The sound of a sigh doesn't carry,
But the lilt of a laugh carries far."

Lucky is the tall Senior girl whose twinkling brown eyes and broad smile have won and kept her many friends at Major Edwards. She is always ready and willing to give a helping hand, and we Seniors certainly have taken advantage of it. She has shown her ability to organize the class and get some work out of them as is shown by the wonderful job she has done on the yearbook, as editor-in-chief. If you're a basketball fan, you have seen Lucky in there fighting for all she's worth to help Jeanie lead the team on to victory. With Lucky's qualities of leadership, and pleasing personality, we wish her and a certain Air Corps Crew Chief, the best of luck in the future.

Basketball	1,4	Dramatic Club	2	Biology Club	2
Bum's Dance Chairman	4	French Club	2	Chorus	1,4
Softball	1,2,3,4	Junior Play	3		



FRANCIS M. BONCI



JEAN BOYNTON



STANLEY M. BOYNTON



HILDA M. COLEMAN



M. ELAINE GARDNER



CONSTANCE M. KEITH



ROGER E. KEITH



IRENE E. LABOSSIERE

ALICE LAMOUREUX---"Little Al"

"Happy am I; from care I am free
Why can't they all be contented like me?"

Little Al, as she is better known to her friends, is one of the cutest members of the Senior Class. Although she is a good student, she is very active in school activities, and can cut a neat rug on the dance floor. She is a very pleasing hostess whose hospitality was shown at the Farewell Party given for "Penny." Alice's ambition is to become a Navy Nurse, and we know the sailors will be very glad of that. With her cute ways and pleasing personality, she'll be keeping her patients cheered up at all times. Best of luck always, Al.

Basketball 1,2,3	Commercial Club (Pres.) 4	Cheerleader 4
Biology Club 2,3	Junior Play 3	Chorus 4

WALTER LINDQUIST---"Linky"

"A lion among the ladies is a most dreadful thing."

Walter Lindquist, better known to his classmates as "Linky", is the class Romeo. He is a happy-go-lucky kid and can make a joke out of nothing. He's very active in sports, and also with the fairer sex. His likes are making dates with girls from neighboring towns; and incidentally, he has very good taste. His secret ambition is to own a gasoline station and have girl mechanics. We know he will succeed because of his stick-to-itiveness and very pleasing personality. Best of luck from the Class of "44".

Baseball 4	Junior Play 3	Student Council 4
Chorus 4	A. A. 1,2,3,4	Commercial Club 3
Basketball 2, 4	Biology Club 2	

JOAN LOVELL---"Johnny"

"The truly generous are the truly wise."

Joan is the unpredictable, as one never knows what she is going to do next. She is "full of it" and is always ready to have some fun. Her "lines" are endless; with a new line each day she keeps Miss Jennings guessing. As one of our commercial students, Joan hopes to further her studies at some business school and become "Somebody's Stenog". We know that Joan will be efficient in her career and she a real asset in some office. Good luck, Joan. Who knows? Perhaps someday you'll be private secretary to the President of the United States.

Chorus 2,3,4	Commercial Club 4	Biology Club 3
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ANGELINE MERCURIO---"Angie"

"Graced as thou art with all the power of words."

Angie lives to argue; and argues to live. Without Angie our classes could be extremely dull. She manages to keep Mr. Namen on his toes at all times. Whenever the Class of '44 has a class party, you can always depend on Angie to be there full of jokes and laughs to make the evening pleasant. Her bowling score may not be so good, but she can take it with a smile. As a housewife, Angie ought to be excellent, because she does so well in Foods. Best of luck Angie!!

Dramatic Club	3	Biology Club	4 (Ex. Officer)
Round Table	1	Softball	2
Chorus	4		

CHRISTINE MOONEY---"Chris"

"Sweet of manner, fair of face,
And all her ways are full of grace."

Chris is the girl with the beautiful Irish eyes and glib tongue. She always has a gay and snappy retort for any quips thrown her way. Chris's favorite subjects are history and economics. The only time she is stumped is when you see her in a corner, a frown on her face, puzzling about, whether the I or E goes first. You can always count on Chris's swiftness on the basketball court to make scores for M.E.H.S. Good luck in future years from the Senior Class, Chris.

Spanish Club	3,4	Round Table	Basketball	1,2,3,4
Junior Play	3		Airplane Club	2
A.A. Vice Pres.	3		Dramatic Club	3

SARA MORAZZINI---"Muzz"

"Better be small and shine, than tall and cast a shadow."

Muzz as she is better known by the members of her class, is one of the swellest kids in this Class of '44. Whenever you feel gloomy and need cheering up, just watch Muzz for a while, and the sun radiating from her cheery smile will push away old man gloom.

During a basketball game, the fans cheering from the sidelines, always include Sara's name because of the wonderful game she plays. If the opponent looks startled at the fact that she lost the ball, you can be assured little "Muzz" was the cause. Many of our victories are due to her quick thinking.



ALICE B. LAMOUREUX



WALTER T. LINDQUIST



JOAN T. LOVELL



ANGELINE A. MERCURIO



CHRISTINE F. MOONEY



SARA A. MORAZZINI



LILLIAN J. MORROW



PHYLLIS E. PROCTOR

Muzz is planning to answer Uncle Sam's call for Cadet Nurses. We know you will do your uniform justice. All the luck in the world to you from the class of '44.

Basketball	1,2,3,4	Biology Club	2	Athletic Rep.	2,3,4
Softball	1,2,3,4	Spanish Club	4	Cheerleader	1

LILIAN MORROW---"Lil"

"No question is ever settled unless it is settled right."

Lil, is one of the most sophisticated members of the Senior Class, and one whose opinions are valued very much by her classmates. At all hours of the day you can hear her giggle ringing through out the class room, or hear her heels clicking down the corridors. Lil's ambition was to be a journalist, but that was before she met a certain somebody from Oklahoma. With Lil's personality and her ability to make and keep friends, she'll be a success in whatever she undertakes.

Round Table	1	Commercial Club	3,4
Student Advisory Council	1,2	Chorus	1,2,3,4

PHYLLIS PROCTOR---"Phiz"

"Her voice was ever sweet, gentle, and low, an excellent thing in woman."

Phiz is a petit young lass who sets all the males a quiver. When she does something wrong, which is very seldom, she starts blushing from ear to ear, and undoubtedly her blush is even redder than her hair. She is a quiet student, and excels in History, which by the way she hated until her Senior Year. Her ambition is to be an Air Stewardess, but since the male population still has eyes, we know she will end up in a cute little white cottage with kiddies running around. Best of Luck, Phiz, from the class of '44.

Airplane Club	2	Assembly Council	4
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MARGARET SOULE---"Meg"

"Tho' vanquished: She could argue still."

Margaret Soule, the tall wavy-haired brunette of the Senior Class, has an ever ready smile for everyone. Margaret is of the athletic type, she likes to watch the boys' sports also. Although Margaret is not very studious, she always manages to make the teacher notice that she is there. Her technique of doing this is a Military Secret, but it's no secret that she has friends everywhere, and is sure to make a success of life in later years. Those

who know her well, share her love of Robert Service's poetry. She ought to make a good nurse. We all wish you luck, Meg.

Basketball 1,2
Biology Club 2

Spanish Club 3,4
Airplane Club 2

ELEANOR TACY

"Quiet people are welcome everywhere."

Eleanor is the quiet lass of the Senior Class who rarely if ever raises her voice in competition with her more noisy classmates. She has a cute little chuckle that can be heard when someone springs a funny joke. Eleanor is quite an artist and also has a good ear for music. Her future plans are as yet unsettled, but a little birdie tells us that she is going to study art. Whether she follows the field of art, or becomes a secretary, we know she will be a great success. Best of Luck Eleanor from the Class of '44.

Chorus 1

Drawing 1,2,3,4

ELENA VERCELLONE---"El"

"When done by her it is well done."

Elena is a tall, quiet girl who knows all the answers. She's Always ready to help anyone out. If you're looking for a good secretary, Elena is the girl you want. If you have anything funny to say, don't say it to Elena, for when she starts laughing she can't stop. Unassuming and always pleasant, she is a favorite with teachers as well as classmates. Having already held a position at our local Insurance Company, we are sure she'll climb the ladder of success for a bright future. Good luck, Elena.

Commercial Club 3,4
Sec. Com. Club 3

Treas. Com. Club 4
Dramatic Club 3

ROBERT WATERS---"Chick"

"Not a word spoke he, more than was necessary."

Robert Waters is better known to his classmates as "Chick". He is one of the quietest members of our class and blushes very easily. Although he doesn't take part in many sports, he always carries players in his father's big car. Even if the lights do go out a few times on the way to the games, the team still gets there in time. Chick plans to become a Pharmacist's Mate in Uncle Sam's Navy. With his pleasing smile and good looks, I'm sure he'll



MARGARET A. SOULE



ELEANOR C. TACY



ELENA J. VERCELLONE



ROBERT WATERS



JACQUELYN WHITCOMB



JANE WHITCOMB

be a great success. We know he'll change his mind about girls and have one in every port.

Pres. Student Council 4
Aviation Club 3

Biology Club 2
Chorus 4

JACQUELYN WHITCOMB---"Jackie"

"A smile for all, a welcome glad."

Jackie is not only one of the prettiest girls of the Senior Class, but also one of the smartest. Her sparkling smile and wonderful personality have won her many life-long friends at Major Edwards. Jackie has also considerable dancing and acting ability which was shown by her splendid performance in our Junior Class Play, "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come." All in all, when we graduate, we shall miss her and it just can't be the same. Jackie plans to enter Mt. Holyoke College in the Fall, and we wish her all the luck and success in the world.

Basketball 1,2
Softball 2
Chorus 4

Spanish Club 3,4
Dancing Club 3

Dramatic Club 2
Junior Play 3

JANE WHITCOMB

"Dancing, the child of Music and of Love"

Jane is perhaps more sedate than some of our Senior girls. Serious but not sad, you seldom if ever, hear her laughing through the corridors of M.E.H.S. Jane loves dancing and, from what I hear, excels in the art. There are few Saturday nights that she can't be found dancing at Leominster. Jane is one of our town's telephone operators. Since she is always courteous and possesses a voice with a smile, she will surely be successful in the telephone exchange. We all wish you luck and happiness, Jane.

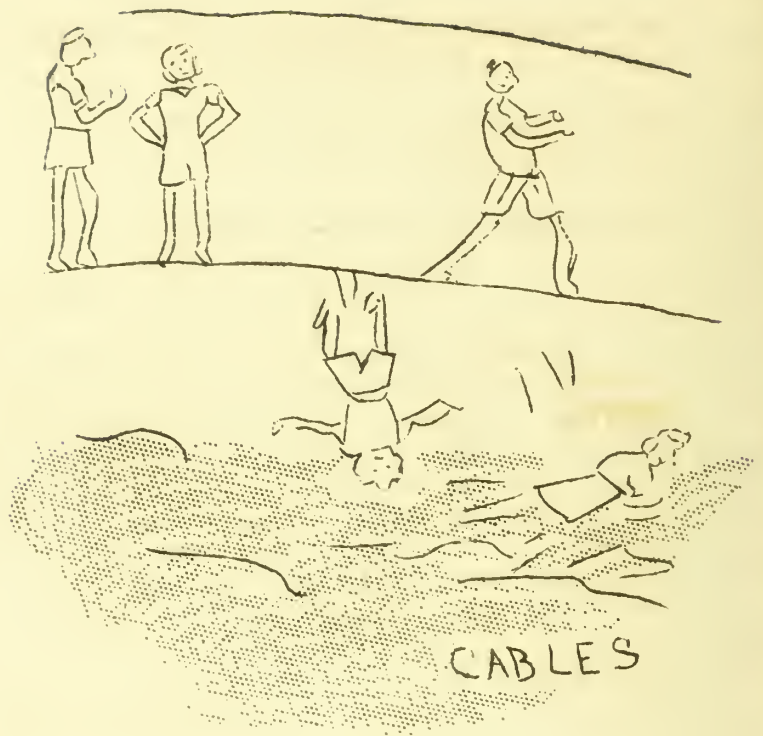
Chorus 1,3,4

A. A. 1,2,3,4

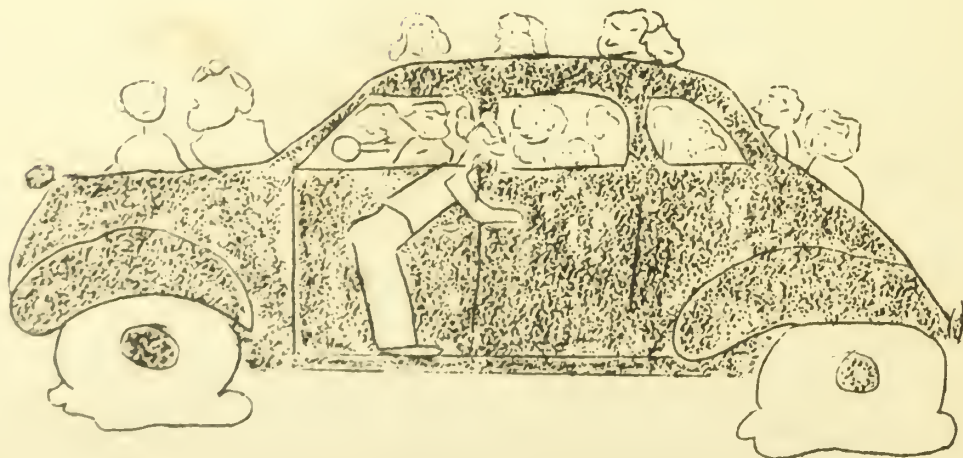




SENIOR SHINES



A TYPICAL SENIOR



CLASS WILL

We, the class of 1944, realizing we are about to depart from this joyful life at Major Edwards High, and being fully possessed of sound mind, memory and understanding, do make--publish--and declare this our last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all former wills, Writing in the spirit of fun and hoping it will be taken as such, we bequeath for no reason at all the following:

We hereby direct that all our accumulated debts, funeral expenses, and other liabilities be paid as soon as possible.

We bequeath to our highly esteemed superintendent, Louis J. Peltier, all our willingness to be of help at any time. Although Mr. Peltier doesn't need this gift, because he is always on hand when help is needed. We also leave to Mr. Peltier our athletic ability on the basketball floor. With this, you will be in a position to fill in any time the boys are failing since the loss of the Seniors.

To Mr. Chaffee we wish to give our heartfelt thanks for all he has done for us in the past three years in settling us on the road to success. When we are a success Mr. Chaffee, we will return to M.E.H.S. to thank you personally. We also bequeath our good will, love for fun, and happy-go-lucky way. You may need these when dealing with the incoming freshmen. We hear they are "little angles."

To our beloved Mrs. Severance we leave our profound gratitude for everything you have done. We also leave you our 22 vacant seats in Room 4 to be filled by incoming Seniors, but we hope they will not take our place in your heart, as we would like to stay there always. You can be sure you will be in ours eternally.

To the faculty we leave our books as unused as the day we received them. Our thick skulls which seem to be unpenetrable, and our chewing gum wrappers, old erasers, pencil stubs, ink wells stuffed with paper, old notes and all else you may find in our lonely desks.

To Mr. Stewart we leave a chute in every classroom, that when the baskets get full of paper the teachers will empty them down these chutes which empty into the furnace and save Mr. Stewart a lot of steps and cleaning up after school.

To the Juniors we leave our intelligent faces, ability to know all the answers, and cheerfulness.

To the Sophomores we leave our ability to organize and have Class Parties maybe now you will have at least one party before

departing from "good old M.E.H.S."

To the Freshmen we leave all our dignity we had when we were Sophomores. It is when you reach that year in High School that you realize the fun is over.

To our poor little incoming Freshmen we leave you all the luck in the world because you will find that you need it. Be like us, study as hard as we did and you can't help but succeed.

Francis Bonci leaves his wad of chewing gum to Bob Bonci. You'll find it under the third seat, second row in Mrs. Severance's room. He also bequeaths his sunny disposition and pleasing personality to all the classes to follow. With this, M.E.H.S. will be fun to go to.

Jean Boynton leaves her basketball ability to Marjorie Hubbell. We hope she will show as much sportsmanship while playing as Jean does. Jean also leaves her raccoon coat to Doris Geneva so she won't always be complaining about the cold weather. To all the girls in the school, Jean bequeaths her ability to get along with the fellows. There aren't many girls who have this gift. The boys look up to Jean, because of her fine sportsmanship.

Stanley Boynton leaves, with great sadness, the flashy ties he got for Christmas to Donald Christenson. You'll be seen coming from afar with those, Don, especially since they will match your socks so well. Stanley also leaves his English-style bicycle to Bobby Lyon. This gift ought to cramp Bobby's style on those alibies that he got a flat on the way to school. He also leaves his ability to make the members of his class laugh to Dwight Goodale. We may hear Dwight from now on.

Hilda Coleman leaves her glasses to Victor Novia so he won't miss any of those blondes, brunettes, or red heads that are liable to pass. Hilda will only partially give her liking for the Navy to Charlotte Reed. Plus what Charlotte already has, that's plenty.

Elaine Gardner bequeaths her formula for getting and keeping a beau to Rita Molinari. It's a good one too; use it to good advantage, Rita. She also gives a few inches of her many, to Mary Anthony, one of our lower classmen. If Mary takes this gift, she will be able to see the movies in assembly from now on without stretching and squirming all over her chair.

Constance Keith leaves her wavy hair to David Wyman. Now you'll see Connie going into the beauty parlor with the rest of us. She also leaves her carefree walk to Josephine Renzoni. From now on, Josephine won't be running to classes anymore. If she inherits Connie's walk, she'll never rush anywhere--at least not until she sees that man in Navy Blues coming her way.

Roger Keith leaves his basketball ability to Harry Smith. There will be a good guard on the floor if Harry accepts it. Roger also leaves that "whistle" he uses when he goes wolfing to Tim

Maki. Since Timo's been going out with that cute little sophomore, his is weak from no practice.

Irene LaBossiere leaves her pep and giggles to Gilbert Stewart. Teachers will be flooding the drug store for headache remedies if he takes it, because Gibby's got quite a laugh already. Irene also leaves her pleasant personality to Mary Natola. With this we are sure that Mary will make many friends.

Alice Lamoureux gives Betty Smith her cute face and figure. Believe us, Betty, you're getting more than your share there. Betty will captivate many hearts now. Alice also gives her rules on how to behave in History IV to the Junior Class. She also bequeaths her warm smile to Mr. Chaffee. We hope he will use it in the future when those Juniors (who follow her rules) go to the office.

Walter Lindquist leaves part, not all, of his wolfing ability to Edward Tashjian. He leaves only a part, because as Walter says, "It comes in handy." Linky also leaves the body of his Chevrolet, motor of his Ford, tires of his Oldsmobile, and horn from his Plymouth to the future Automotive Mechanics class. See if you can do anything with them; Linky's given up.

Joan Lovell leaves her ability to think up alibies to Tommy Wilson. Tommy must have run out of them by now. Joan also leaves her jacket in Room 5 for another cold-blooded senior who will take over her typewriter. She also leaves her helpfulness in Secretarial Practice to the incoming Seniors.

Angeline Mercurio bequeaths her arguing ability to Esther Dellasanta. We'll hear Esther from now on. Angie also bequeaths her "line a day" to Marcia Pfau. Now Marcia will have something to say every morning before breakfast. Also, Angie leaves her sparkling white teeth to the Ipana Company for future advertisement.

Christine Mooney leaves her punning, and will to always be of help to Billy Marritt. Use this gift, Billy, and the future Senior Class will look up to you as they do to Christine. Chris also leaves her twinkling eyes to Martha Goodale. With this gift, Martha ought not miss any of those convoys that go by.

Sara Morazzini leaves her smiling personality and devil-may-care attitude to Evelyn Prinsen. You'll be well liked if you take it. It gets Sara around. She also leaves a pillow to Merlin Howard to make that chair in the office more comfortable. Another thing Sara leaves is her ability to be everywhere on the floor during a basketball game to Ruth Goodale. With Sara's gift, we may get a good team next year. Seeing the Seniors are leaving, I don't see how the team could be good!

Lilian Morrow leaves with great sorrow, because she'll miss them, her pompadour and high heels (4 in.) to Jeannie Derrah. Maybe Jeannie won't be getting knocked over so much now by the taller members of M.E.H.S. Lil also leaves her long nails and polish to Sally Johnson.

Phyllis Proctor wills her pink cheeks to Joan Orciani. Joan will be able to put all that money she spends on cosmetics ~~into~~ War Bonds now. Phiz gives up her three hours of study every night to Patsy Senesse. He'll need them.

Margaret Soule leaves her friendliness to Mildred Shew so she can make as many friends as Margaret has. If you add that many friends to you list, Millie, you'll have to use up a lot of paper, Margaret also leaves her beautiful wavy hair to some freshman who hasn't seen the beautician as yet.

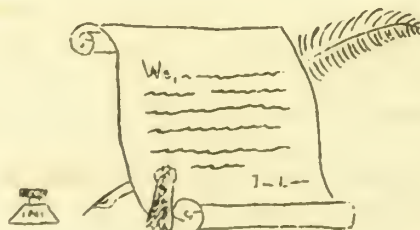
Eleanor Tacy leaves her quiet nature to Martha Goodale. How quiet the Seniors will be next year! She also leaves her drawing ability to Edgar Whitcomb. (Miss Howe will know what it is ~~when~~ he draws from now on.) Eleanor also leaves her bowling ability to Michael Mercurio. If you take this, Mike, you will be making strikes left and right.

Elena Vercellone bequeaths her ability and formula for getting A's to the Freshmen. Take stock in this gift, "kids", you need it. Elena also leaves her job as secretary at the Insurance office to any ambitious incoming senior.

Robert Waters leaves his driving ability to Buddy Bellas. After that ride to North Brookfield we have definite proof ~~that~~ he could use Bob's generous gift. He also leaves his ability to get along with the teachers to Florence Mercurio. There won't be so many detentions for you now Florence.

Jacquelyn Whitcomb leaves her slimness to Edith Bacchiocchi. No formula goes with this though, Eda, because Jackie eats like a horse. To Della Leonardi she leaves her friendly ways. If Della ~~takes~~ this swell gift, I can see where she will have loads of friends to add to her present collection.

Jane Whitcomb leaves her telephone operator's voice to Louise Potvin. If you hear Louise in Math next year saying "ni-on", you'll know she accepted the gift. Jane also leaves her dancing ability and all her partners to Lois Arnold. Take it, Lois, and you'll be noticed plenty on the floor.



CLASS PROPHECY

In order for me to tell the class prophecy, the time would have to be in the future. We find ourselves now in the big industrial city of Worcester. The date today is June 1954.

A sailor walking down Front St. to catch the West Boylston Limited casually picks up the Gazette for a gaze at the news. The sailor looks at the comic section first, to see how Little Orphan Annie is coming along; then he glances at the column called "10 Years Ago Today." When he reads in the column that 10 years ago today the class of '44 graduated from Major Edwards High School, and being a member of that class he decides to look up a few of his old classmates.

It only takes a few minutes on the streamlined limited to go to the residential city of West Boylston. When he enters the Post Office for information he recognizes the Assistant Postmaster as Margaret Soule. She has been cashing a lot of bonds lately that were at maturity value from the Fifth War Loan drive made in June 1944. "Many bonds were given as graduation gifts," Margaret reminded me; I decided to wait and see if anyone I knew would come in to cash their bonds. Strange as it may seem, many of our old class-mates had come back to West Boylston to live. Meg and I were reminding each other of our school days when in walked a smart looking young lady in an Air Cadet Nurse's Uniform. Looking again, we saw it was Phyllis Proctor. I was badly in need of information about old friends, so I showered them both with questions.

Was that "Keith and Waters Supreme Milk and Cream Dairy" the dairy of Bob Waters and Roger Keith? "Yes," they answered in chorus, "and that Restaruant called "Angies" is Angeline Mercurio's pride." She boasts to serve the only genuine home made Italian Spaghetti around here. Hearing this good news, I decided to call on Jacquelyn Whitcomb, a well known dress designer, to go to lunch with me. When I called, I couldn't help but recognize the voice of the Chief Operator as being that of Jane Whitcomb. While enjoying our lunch at Angies in walked the famous Journalist, Lilian Morrow. Being a newspaper editor she could tell me a lot of news. She told me that Eleanor Tacy was having a display of art at the City Museum and to be sure not to miss it. She also told me that the new Powers' Model, Alice Lamoureux had just made the latest cover for Peek magazine. While we were speaking of widely known persons from our class she told me that Christine Mooney was a second Hedy Lamarr in Hollywood; and that Jean Boynton was coaching the Girls' National Basketball team, "The Flitting Eagles."

Lilian boasted to me that she had on her staff at the newspaper two more graduates of '44. They were Elena Vercellone, a private secretary, and Joan Lovell, a typist. Lilian showed me

a copy of today's paper and I was not surprised to see ads from Walter Lindquist's garage, and Sessions & Bonci, wholesale casket dealers. I wasn't surprised because Walter and Francis had already started on their career while still seniors in High School.

Another ad that I saw in the paper was an appeal to the public to cooperate with Sherer's Department store workers, who are working under strained conditions because the store was partly cut off during alterations. The appeal reminded me of Irene LaBossiere making a speech to the Class of '44 asking for cooperation to get material for the year book in. I was uncertain as to who did write it until I found out that Irene was Advertising Manager of the store.

After lunch Lilian took me to the City hospital to find that Sara Morazzini was Superintendent of nurses there. Sara said that one of her best surgical nurses was one of our own classmates, Constance Keith. One of the patients there was Elaine Gardner, who in ordinary life is just a plain housewife. She told me the child nurse that she has taking care of her children while she was in the Hospital was Hilda Coleman.

I then said to Lilian, "If I remember correctly there were just twenty-two in our graduating class. How many have we accounted for?" "All successful, happy, and accounted for Sir." "Aye, aye, Skipper," and back to my ship I went, to sail the seven seas once more.

Stanley Boynton



CLASS HISTORY

Freshman Year

In September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-one, thirty-eight frightened, and somewhat awed, little Freshmen entered the doors of M.E.H.S. At first we invariably arrived in the wrong room at the wrong time. In home room there was a mad scramble for the back seats. Mrs. Severance soon learned where each of us made least noise, and we were seated accordingly. Some of the loftier Seniors made our first few weeks uncomfortable, to say the least, but we were soon at home in our new school.

Mr. Craig duly informed us that we were now students at M.E.H.S. and our conduct must be "perfect" at all times. To say we followed this advice to the letter would be too far from the truth, but we think we were fairly well behaved, judging by the conduct of the upper classmen.

One day we arrived at school with one purpose in mind; namely, to elect our officers. This was a serious job and we became tense with excitement. The results were: President, David Lovell; Treasurer, Stanley Boynton; Vice President, Lilian Morrow; Secretary, Amelia Leonardi; and Social Chairman, Charles Denton

Later on in the year, when we thought we might possibly graduate some day, we chose our class symbols, maroon and white were to be our class colors, and white carnation, our flower; and Forward Forever, our Motto.

We settled down and were blissfully happy till we learned that final exams were approaching. By cramming night and day we found we were now ready to become SOPHOMORES!!!

Sophomore Year

Our second year was begun with much more confidence. We found to our sorrow that our class had diminished to twenty-nine. Not only had this happened, but to make things worse, we found that our boys were upstairs in Mr. Houghton's room, while the girls were downstairs with Miss Pierce. This was something we had not anticipated, and we discovered that note-passing was much more difficult.

This year we chose Stanley as our President, Amelia as Vice-President, David as Secretary, Charlie as Treasurer, and Margaret as Social Chairman.

We decided several times to have a class party but we never got farther than arriving at a decision. Finally Mr. Houghton ~~came~~ to our rescue, and we had a bowling party at the Grand View Country Club. Later on, all of us who were members of the Biology Club went to Emerson's Lodge for a Hot Dog Roast. This was a huge success, and we all had loads of fun. The annual Sophomore Hop was given up this year because of the War Shortages--No Gas--No Men!!!!

In the latter half of the year we were all together again in Miss Pierce's room. We found this much more fun. By June we had not only passed our dreaded exams, but were well on the way of becoming upper-classmen!!!

Junior Year

The pleasant days of summer rolled by too swiftly for ~~some~~ of us, and we soon found ourselves, as Juniors, on the ninth day of September in good old M.E.H.S. Our class enrollment had decreased by six members. Despite our loss we cheerfully took on the title of "Upper Classmen", and elected our class officers. David Lovell, President; Elaine Gardner, Vice President; Jacquelyn Whitcomb, Secretary; Margaret Soule, Treasurer.

In October a representative from Balfour's came and showed us samples of rings, and the class officers selected the favorite. Along the last of November, Juniors were seen all over the school flashing and showing off their rings.

The night of Feb. 12 brought quite a bit of excitement to us Juniors as this was the night of the Junior Play, "Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come". The play was a great success theatrically and economically. (Naturally!)

During the course of the year we lost two more members to Uncle Sammy; namely William Cummings and Walter Allen.

Amid tears and protests our beloved Mr. Letendre left us to join the Armed Forces. We then carried on our English classes with the Seniors with Miss Lindquist as teacher. We grew to like these Seniors, whom we hadn't known too well before, and every fifth period was something to look forward to. When graduation time came round, we fully realized how much we were going to miss this class in our following year but we took it on the chin like incoming Seniors should.

Seniors

In the fall of '43 we came back to school all pepped up for another year of hard work and a little play! We were again assigned to Mr. Namen's room and we proceeded to make life miserable for him by our antics.

We lost two more of our boys, Charlie Denton at the beginning of the year, and soon after David Lovell--"Lucy" to his intimates. Thus being left with the grand total of 5 boys-----and seventeen girls. What a catastrophe!

Before the year rolled on too far, we elected our class officers: Pres. Walter Lindquist, Vice Pres. Elaine Gardner, Sec. Elena Vercellone, Treas. Stanley Boynton, Social Chairman, Irene LaBossiere.

As our Senior project this year, Mrs. Severance started us on a News Letter to our boys in the Service. We believe this has proved a great success judging by the letters we have received from the boys, which were posted in the back of the Senior room.

We started the year under the watchful eye of Mr. Namen, but after Christmas vacation we were moved up to Mrs. Severance's room where we could carry on our News Letter and Year Book much more easily.

C'est la guerre the teachers cried--then our hopes for a Prom had died. War or no war, we were determined to have a dance. Mr. Namen suggested a Bum's Dance. Everyone had a grand time and it was a great success.

In November the unheard of happened. A fire! at Major Edwards! Much to our sorrow (?) we lost nearly ten days of school. We had to make up all this time later.

In the middle of May, we decided to go for a hike. We followed the Boy Scout Trail to the "cables" where we crossed the river and went on to our destination--Mrs. Severance's. Our picnic supper was welcome after our strenuous **exercise**.

The days flew by and we found ourselves in the midst of plans for graduation. Work seemed to be coming at us from all **directions**. The usual procedure of final exams did not seem somehow as detestable as in other years. For us, it marked the last days of our life at Major Edwards.

Our class trip was on June second. We left bright and early on the eight o'clock train and arrived in Boston ready to see the town from end to end. We made two tours of the city in horse-drawn surreys. High lights of the tours were the glass flowers at the Agassiz Museum, Bunker Hill, and the Old North Church. Our banquet was held at the Hotel Touraine. This trip marked the end of our class activities, and when we arrive home, we were suddenly aware that at long last we were leaving many good times behind us.

Graduation itself held the usual amount of excitement and sadness. Our ways had at last come to the crossroads, and life loomed before us with war as our immediate future and the dream of a better world to come leading us ever onward.

There were rumors the next day at school that some Seniors were pursued by nightmares during the night.





Angie to Bus Driver: "I want to be procrastinated at the next corner!"

Bus Driver: "You wish to be what?"

Angie: "Don't lose your temper. I had to look in the dictionary myself before I found out that procrastinate means put off."

Sharkey: "I want to rent a horse."

Proprietor: "How long?"

Sharkey: "The longest you've got; five of us are going."

Roger: "Didn't you say that if I got sort of sociable to the judge, he'd fix matters up for me?"

Linky: "Sure--how did he react?"

Roger: "He reacted alright." I said, "Good morning Judge-how's the old boy today?"

Linky: "Didn't he take kindly to that?"

Roger: "Why, the old codger said, 'Fine, ten dollars.'"

Waters to Stan: "Will you lend me \$10 for a month, old boy?"

Stan: "What would a month old boy do with \$10?"

Jane: "I'll never take you to another party as long as I live!"

Eleanor: "Why?"

Jane: "You asked Mrs. Jones how her husband was standing the heat!"

Eleanor: "Well?"

Jane: "Why, her husband has been dead for two months."

Miss Jennings to family Doctor: "My family thinks there's something wrong with me, simply because I like buckwheat cakes."

Physician: "But there's nothing wrong with liking buckwheat cakes; I like them very much myself."

Miss Jennings: "Oh, do you? You must come up some day; I have seven trunks full."

Connie to Christine: "Love is a quest; a proposal, a request; the giving of a daughter in marriage, a bequest; and marriage itself the conquest. But what is divorce?"

Chris: "The irquest!"

Elaine: "That panhandler you gave a dime to was a fraud. You ought not to encourage such people."

Lilian: "I don't believe he was a fraud. He told me a pitiful account of his family. He said he had a sick wife at home and she was a poor widow left with four orphaned children. I just couldn't help giving him something."

Alice to Miss Jennings: "Is water works all one work, or do you spell it with a hydrant in the middle?"

JUNIOR CLASS

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Social Chairman
Student Council

Donald Christenson
Marcia Pfau
Gilbert Stewart
Louise Potvin
Victor Novia
Edith Bacchiocchi-
Donald Christenson

Motto
Colors
Flowers

Clarior E. Tenebris
Maroon and Gold
Yellow Tea Rose

Ruth Ayers

Rita Molinari

Edith Bacchiocchi

Victor Novia

Paul Belles

Marcia Pfau

Robert Bonci

Louise Potvin

Donald Christenson

Josephine Renzoni

Esther Dellasanta

Mildred Shaw

Martha Goodale

Gilbert Stewart

Marjorie Hubbell

Edward Tashjian

Timo Mski

David Wyman

William Merritt

SOPHOMORE CLASS

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
Social Chairmen
Student Counsel

David Cheever
Margaret Teachout
Mildred Allen
Harold Gordon
Elizabeth Buck-Harry Smith
David Cheever-Mary Giobellina

Motto
Colors
Flower

By Work We Win
Crimson and White
Red Rose

Mildred Allen

Robert Lyon

Elizabeth Buck

Joan Orciani

David Cheever

Myra Pfau

Pauline Comfort

Evelyn Prinsen

Joseph Curtin

Mary Roberti

Mary Giobellina

Harry Smith

Ruth Goodale

Margaret Teachout

Harold Gordon

Claire Tourigney

Robert Klar

Edgar Whitcomb

Della Leonardi

FRESHMEN CLASS

President	Donald Bonci
Vice President	Dorothy Pardini
Secretary	Doris Geneva
Treasurer	Raymond Bancroft
Social Chairmen	Norma Lancey-Andrew Chesnes
Student Council	Josephine Bacchiocchi-Donald Bonci

Motto	B ² and be Y's
Colors	Maroon and White
Flower	Carnation

Mary Anthony
Lois Arnold
Josephine Bacchiocchi
Raymond Bancroft
John Boghoian
Donald Bonci
Janet Brackett
Lucille Carlisle
Andrew Chesnes
Nancy Comfort
Dominic DePatsy
Jeanne Derrah
Gudio DePietro
John Genelli
Doris Geneva
James Geneva
Dwight Goodale
Merlin Howard

Carol Howe
Sally Johnston
Norma Lancey
Ann Lovell
Florence Mercurio
Michael Mercurio
Mary Natola
George Novia
Dorothy Pardini
Clayton Primrose
Robert Putnam
Charlotte Reed
Costa Rotti
Dorothy Simpson
Robert Snow
Robert Tashjian
Florence Vernosky



FRESHMAN CLASS



SOPHOMORE CLASS



JUNIOR CLASS



SENIOR CLASS

AVIATION CLUB

Adviser--Mr. Chaffee

At the first meeting of the Aviation Club, January 25, 1944, the following officers and members were elected.

President--Donald Christenson

Vice President--Donald Bonci

Secretary--Paul Belles

Treasurer--Robert Lyon

Paul Belles

John Boghoian

Donald Bonci

Andrew Chesnes

Donald Christenson

James Geneva

Dwight Goodale

Robert Klar

Robert Lyon

Timo Maki

Michael Mercurio

Bradford Rayworth

Robert Snow

Edward Tashjian

Robert Tashjian

Edgar Whitcomb

The club had a very successful year under the supervision of Mr. Chaffee who presented the club with several movies, airplane identification cards, and on airplane instrument panels. The movies were based on the construction of light airplanes, and the different types of planes.

BIOLOGY CLUB

Advisor -- Miss Maguire

President	Mary Giobellina
Vice President	Harry Smith
Secretary	Mildred Allen
Treasurer	Pauline Comfort
Executive Officer	Angeline Mercurio

The Biology Club was quite active this year with Miss Maguire as the advisor. The first event was a roller skating party at the Skaterina in Worcester, where in spite of falls and such, we all had an enjoyable evening.

Following in rapid succession were a theater party, Madam Curie being the feature, and the play Janie given at the auditorium. For the last event, to bring to a close an enjoyable year, we went on a bike hike to Washacum.

Club Members

Mildred Allen	Della Leonardi
Elizabeth Buck	Angeline Mercurio
Pauline Comfort	Mary Roberti
Mary Giobellina	Harry Smith

COMMERCIAL CLUB

Advisor -- Miss Jennings

President	Alice Lamoureux
Vice President	Jean Boynton
Secretary	Rita Molinari
Treasurer	Elena Vercellone
Social Chairman	Ruth Ayers

The Commercial Club of 1944 has successfully and faithfully carried on the work started by its originators.

A very successful party was held on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, and the school auditorium was decorated in the color of the Irish and a good time was had by all.

The club has monthly meetings in school and tries to arrange for extra social events outside of school, which include bowling, roller skating, hiking, etc.

Club Members

Lois Arnold	Norma Lancey
Ruth Ayers	Ann Lovell
Edith Bacchiocchi	Joan Lovell
Josephine Bacchiocchi	Florence Mercurio
Jean Boynton	Rita Molinari
Jamet Brackett	Lilian Morrow
Nancy Comforti	Dorothy Pedini
Jeanne Derrah	Charlotte Reed
Ruth Goodale	Josephine Renzoni
Carol Howe	Mildred Shaw
Sally Johnston	Eleanor Tacy
Alice Lamoureux	Elena Vercellone

Florence Vernosky

I. R. C.

Advisor--Mr. Namen

President David Cheever

Vice President Dorothy Simpson

Secretary Doris Geneva

Treasurer George Novia

This year the American History Club became affiliated with the Carnegie Institute of International Peace, thereby changing its name to I. R. C. (International Relations Club).

In light of the world conditions, the club was quite active in round-table discussions on important national and international problems. Films on current problems were also shown at club meetings.

The final activities of the Club culminated by an assembly program for Memorial Day, May 30, followed by a party for club members.

Club Members

Mary Anthony

Robert Klar

Lucille Carlisle

~~Mary~~ Natola

Joseph Curtin

Evelyn Prinsen

Harold Gordon

Robert Putnam

Merlin Howard

SPANISH CLUB

Advisor -- Mrs. Severance

President	Gilbert Steward
Vice President	Marjorie Hubbell
Sec. Treasurer	Jacquelyn Whitcomb

In its second year the Spanish Club enjoyed a very successful season. The highlight was the assembly which was presented by the members of the Club. A play entitled " Sunday Costs Five Pesos " was given and then a few Mexican folk dances were performed in picturesque costumes similar to those of Mexico.

At the club meetings, Spanish games and songs were played and sung and we are sure that the existence of the club has had a great influence on those who are interested in it and our Latin-American neighbors.

Club Members

Edith Bacchiocchi
Esther Dellesanta
Elaine Gardner
Martha Goodale
Constance Keith
Christine Mooney

Sara Morazzini
Marcia Pfau
Myra Pfau
Louise Potvin
Phyllis Proctor
Elizabeth Smith

Margaret Teachout

BOYS' BASKETBALL

The basketball team got off to a very good start this year and the best game of the season was the game with Northboro at Northboro. Roger Keith tied the score 27-27 with one minute to play. Our star in this game, Victor Novia, took a long shot and made a field goal to win the game 27-29.

Captain Bob Bonci won most of the games for us with his perfect eye for the basket. He scored up to 30 point in one game and 52 points in two successive games. Roger Keith, our Senior star, was fourth highest in scoring points for the season and did a very good job at keeping our opponents from scoring.

Mr. Anderson coached the boys this season to a very successful ending. Out of 18 games played we won 10. The team entered the semi-finals at the Norton Field House against Lunenburg's favored team. It was a close game but we lost. However, next year the boys expect to win the Worcester County tournament.

Captain Robert Bonci-237, Victor Novia-164, Raymond Bancroft 37, Roger Keith-36, William Merritt-30, Donald Christenson-26, Andrew Chesnes-13, Paul Belles-8.

Opponent	Date	Where Played	M.E.H.S.	Opponents
Brookfield	12/17/43	Brookfield	38	34
Sutton	12/21/43	Edwards	48	16
Townsend	1/4/44	Edwards	33	29
Holden	1/7/44	Holden	22	70
Sacred Heart	1/11/44	Edwards	23	15
Oxford	1/14/44	Oxford	31	43
Townsend	1/18/44	Townsend	61	31
Assumption	1/21/44	Edwards	23	35
Sacred Heart	1/25/44	Sacred Heart	25	22
Brookfield	1/28/44	Edwards	21	29
Oxford	2/1/44	Edwards	27	43
Holden	2/4/44	Edwards	11	43
Northboro	2/9/44	Edwards	38	19
Northboro	2/17/44	Northboro	29	27
Sutton	2/18/44	Sutton	41	20
Assumption	3/1/44	Assumption	24	74
Tournament Norton's				
Oxford	3/6/44	Norton's	27	22
Lunenberg	3/8/44	Norton's	17	23

Walter Lindquist



GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM



BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM



ADVISORY COUNCIL

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Under the excellent coaching of Mr. Rice, the girls' basketball team had a very successful year. Practice started after the Thanksgiving vacation with a large number of girls showing interest in this activity.

Girls who played on this year's team were as follows:

Louise Potvin)	Margaret Teachout
Marcia Pfau) Managers	Martha Goodale
Jean Boynton---Captain	Marjorie Hubbell
Irene LaBossiere	Myra Pfau
Sara Morazzini	Ruth Goodale
Christine Mooney	Joan Orciani
Rita Molinari	Doris Geneva
Edith Bacchiocchi	Mary Natola

Games were played with:

		Home T.	Score	Opponent
Brookfield	12/17/43	30	-	23
Sutton	12/21/43	39	-	16
Townsend	1/4/44	23	-	38
Holden	1/7/44	29	-	19
Townsend	1/18/44	13	-	31
Shrewsbury	1/20/44	30	-	30
Milbury	1/26/44	25	-	24
Brookfield	1/28/44	26	-	23
Shrewsbury	2/1/44	30	-	36
Holden	2/3/44	14	-	23
Northboro	2/9/44	29	-	39
Milbury	2/11/44	23	-	23
Northboro	2/6/44	29	-	51
Sutton	2/18/44	25	-	32

So ended the year with honors going to Jean Boynton for her yearly average of 204 points, to "Muzz Morazzini for her excellent guarding, to "Muff" Goodale for her dead shot eye, to "Lucky" LaBossiere for her ability to be where the ball was, to "Peggy" Teachout for her ability to always be under the basket, to Ruth Goodale for her ability to guard the best forwards on the opposite team, to "Chris" Mooney for her short but very successful basketball season, to Doris Geneva for showing that a Freshman can be as good a guard as a senior, and to all the other players and the cheerleaders for their fine sportsmanship.

Alice Lamoureux



BASEBALL



Co-Captains:

Robert Bonci
Victor Novia

Coach:

Mr. Anderson

The Major Edwards High School Baseball Team came back to life in the season of '44 under the coaching of Mr. Anderson. The team was admitted to the Western Worcester County League. The teams of this league with which we play are those of Oxford and Charlton. With the excellent pitching of Bobby Bonci and Francis "Shark" Bonci, ably supported by the timely hitting of Victor Novia, Paul Belles, and Donald Christenson. We have had a fairly successful season.

We played Holden, Shirley, and Upton to make a full baseball season.

MEMBERS OF THE TEAM

Victor Novia	Catcher
Francis Bonci	Pitcher
Bobby Bonci	Pitcher
Roger Keith	1st Base
Paul Belles	2nd Base
Donald Bonci	3rd Base
George Novia	Short Stop

FIELDERS

Donald Christenson	Billy Teachout
Andrew Chesnes	Paul Comforti
Harry Smith	

Since we are only losing two members of the club through graduation, we should have a very successful Baseball season next year.

Walter Lindquist,
Sports Editor

Mr. Chaffee: "Where have you been?"

Sharkey: "Having my hair cut."

Mr. Chaffee: "Well, you can't have your hair cut on school time."

Sharkey: "Why not? It grew on school time!"

Phyllis: "What did the little brook say when the elephant sat down in it?"

Margaret: "Well, I'll be dammed."

Miss Jennings, writing out a tardy slip: "You should have been here at nine o'clock."

Jacky: "Why, what happened?"

On the first day of school last September John Genelli bumped into a tall redheaded man in the corridor: "Say," said Johnny, "where d'ya think you're going?"

Man: "Listen, I guess you don't know who I am. I'm Red Bunker the Phys. Ed. Instructor."

Johnny: "Pardon me, I thought you were the Principal."

Mr. Namen to Merlin Howard in Ancient History Class: "Name two ancient sports."

Merlin: "Anthony and Cleopatra."

Witty Boarder: Ah, your steak is like the weather this evening, madam--rather raw,

Witty Landlady: Indeed! By the way, your board bill is like the weather, too--unsettled.

Maid: "The installment man is here again, ma'am."

Madam: (resignedly): "Tell him to take a chair."

Any one of the five Senior boys: "Johnnie, were you looking through the keyhole last night at your sister and me?"

"Honest, I wasn't. Mother was in the way."

Why the Seniors didn't get their dental certificates signed: "Have you been a dentist very long, Doc?"

"No, I was a riveter till I got too nervous to work up high."

Mr. Peltier: "But you're asking for a rather high salary, seeing that you know nothing about this type of teaching."

New Teacher: "But, you see, not knowing the work makes it so much harder for me."

Stanley to his dentist: "Do you swear that you will pull the tooth, the whole tooth, and nothing but the tooth?"

The strong man at the fair had squeezed the juice out of a lemon. Holding it up before the crowd he shouted: "I'll give \$5 to anyone who can squeeze another drop of juice out of this lemon!"

Up stepped a little man. He gripped the lemon and, to the surprise of the crowd, squeezed out several drops.

"It's easy," he murmured. "I'm a tax collector."

Hilda Coleman was riding on a train to Meriden Conn. for the first time. First, the conductor came through the car and called for all tickets, Hilda readily gave hers up. Then, a few moments later, the train boy came through calling: "Chewing Gum!"

"Never!" cried Hilda bravely. "You can take my ticket, but not my gum."

Chris: "Gee, hasn't she got wonderful carriage?"

Stan: "Yea, she does look like the Surrey with a fringe on top, doesn't she?"

Irene recently got Elaine a job in Sherer's and this was her first question:

Elaine: "How many girls work in your department?"

Irene: "About half of them."

Hilda: "Why did you leave your last job?"

Joan: "Illness?"

Hilda: "What sort of illness?"

Joan: "My boss said he got sick of me."

Miss Maquire was recently stopped in Clinton for driving through a stop sign and was given a ticket calling for her appearance in the traffic court the following Monday. She went at once to the judge, told him that she had to be at her classes then, and asked for the immediate disposal of her case.

"So," said the judge sternly, "you're a schoolteacher. That's fine. Madam, your presence here fulfills a long-standing ambition for me. For years I have yearned to have a schoolteacher in this court. Now, he thundered, "you sit right down at that table over there and write 'I went through a stop sign' 500 times."



THE END

CLASS TOASTS

MR. NAMEN

We've given a lot of trouble
We realize that, you bet!
But just chalk it down
We haven't grown up yet.
You did a good job coaching,
Certainly made things hum;
We'll always remember,
"The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come".

MRS. SEVERANCE

She has helped us, every one,
Kept us steady, shared our fun.
School is good when she is nigh-
To us she is Major Edwards High

ELAINE

We think everyone should know
The tune she likes best is
A "Huntoon" I will go

CHRISTINE

She can tell stories galore.
Such wit! Such humor!
She's never a bore!

SARA

We think she'll be a wonderful nurse,
But when she's near, the boys fever will get worse.

CHICK

Chick's a good kid, seems sort of quiet,
But when on a good time, gee, he's a riot!

PHYLLIS

Some day a boy will lose his heart
To Phyllis, who is both good and smart.

JEAN

Jean will be an Army nurse, or maybe in the Navy,
If she's as good a nurse as athlete,
We know they'll get the gravy.

LINKY

Linky is a bold man;
He chases girls as no one else can.

SHARKY

Sharky is a swell kid; Sharky is a honey
But when you're near him, hold onto your money!

MARGARET

Margaret has personality, smiles so nicely too,
If you don't like Margaret, there's something the matter with you.

ROGER

Roger resembles a movie star;
He really isn't but
When made up for our Minstrel Show
Girls hearts go put, put, put.

JOAN

Joan is a jolly gal, on this I'll take a bet,
Wonder if she's heard lately from that Air Corps Cadet.

ELENA

Elena laughs until she could drop,
She begins, all right, but cannot stop.

ANGIE

When class gets dull, and we need some vim
Mr. Namen talks to Angie and Angie argues with him.

LILIAN

Lilian can write good stories,
And here is a good tip,
Some day she'll be in Hollywood
Writing darn good script.

CONNIE

Connie wants to be a nurse;
It's one job she won't dodge,
But, she'll be a little bit sweeter,
To any guy whose name is George.

STAN

Stan's the double type,
Like Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.
He can look so awful good,
And be so devilish inside.
But oh! he's such a darn good scout
We all like him mighty fine,
And we know that in the Navy
He'll hit the deck and rise and shine.

IRENE

Irene is full of life and fun;
She doesn't stop fooling 'till day is done

JANE

Jane is demure, Jane wears cute clothes;
She is sure to have many beaux.

JACKIE

"Number please" is always her greeting
And she wears a wide smile at every meeting.

ALICE

Alice is cute, Alice is petite,
As an actress, she can't be beat.

ELEANOR

Eleanor surely makes her goal
Every time she goes to bowl.

HILDA

Hilda has a hard time keeping dates just right
What if both her friends call on the same night?



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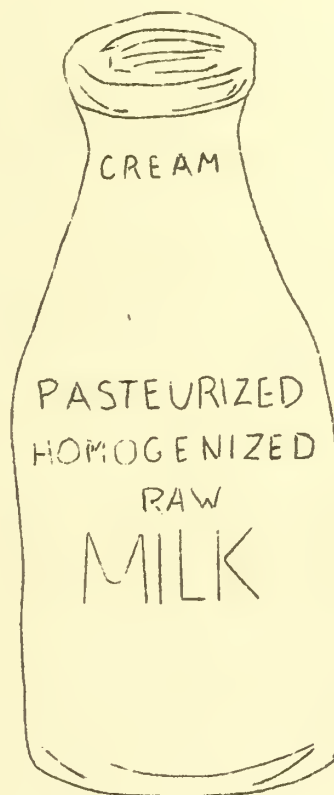
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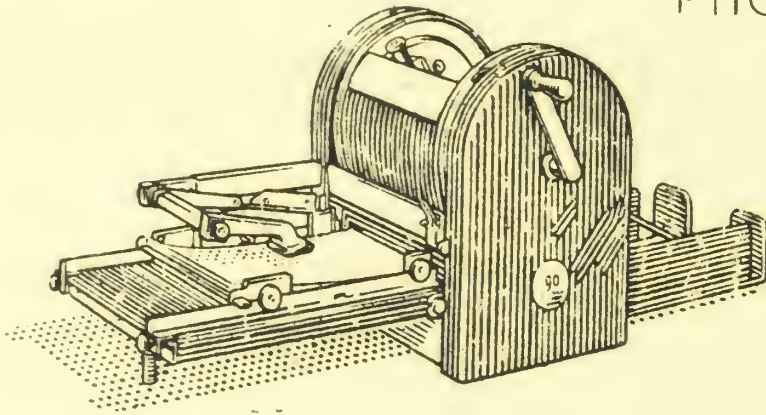
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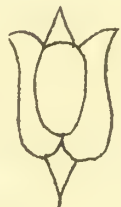
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